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When a man reads his heart by the light of the moon, sad errors occur.

ever pedestal a lover. If he affects pedestals, mount one and be worshiped.

lever women declare that Love is not blind, but Argus-eyed.

he finale of an affaire du coeur is often accompanied by sighs—of relief.

A kiss is the outward visible sign of an inward fever.

ll my nights are trances, and all my days are dreams," moans the penniless lover.

Nothing bores Eros more thoroughly than a cuckoo clock.

urning the tables upon the Boy with the Bow is a favorite pastime of our Lady of Cleverness.

The letters of lovers should be written in cipher.

t matters little after ten years whether a wife's face is lovely, but it matters much whether her soul is.

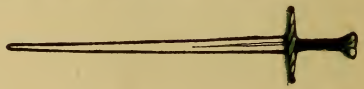
Men are stern moralists where one woman and other men are concerned.

he who boasts of

lovers, soon has none.

ligibles prefer to catch, not to be caught.

Naggery is the mother of Lies, and the enemy of Love.



During a lovers' quarrel the least tempestuous wins.

cratch a beauty, and you are apt to find a tartar.

Love often wears a mask in order to test loyalty.

here is something maternal in the love of all pure women.

Hope may play traitor at times, but she is so agreeable that we forgive her offences for the sake of her company.

hen love's fever becomes too "fitful," administer ice freely.

The love stories of women are written in indelible ink. The love stories of men are—not written.

Consideration appeals to man; beauty to men.

In the game of Hearts, play fair. Who cheats—pays.

ield nothing to love

that is denied to discretion.

The Litany of Love begins with "beseech" and ends with "deliver."

he who stoops, never conquers love.

The Devil laughs when he sees Love trying to rob a clever woman of her individuality.

he man who hesitates often loses the girl.

Do not embrace love too closely, lest you strangle him.

ove is very charming but he has an atrocious

memory.

It is better to be an "awful fool" than an "awful bore" in Love Land.

he temperamental woman loves and hates the same man at the same time.

When Lord Love ban-

quets, he invites but one woman.

At twenty, men love women; at forty, girls; at fifty, themselves.

arriage is the art of learning to do without illusions.

t is her mystery that makes the clever woman fascinating.

Suitors of rich girls take too much for granted. Suitors of poor girls need many assurances.

Lovers should never be without the oil of forbearance.

During Love's battles, men lie and women cry when cornered.

omen are always swinging censors before the image of their first love.

The man who holds the key to a woman's heart should make certain the old ones are destroyed.

nto the tapestries of their lives women weave many bleeding hearts.

Time is the umpire who decides all matters of love.

ove delights in propounding conundrums to confound the world.

The preface of the book of love is written in rose-colored ink.

n the garden of Eros roses and forget-me-nots are equally numerous.

girl is never too near-sighted to see a handsome man sheep's-eyeing her.

hether or not love will last, depends entirely upon its origin.

Laughter and Love have little in common. The cantata of Love is written in a minor key.

here's a little of the fox in all loving women.

en, thank God, are full of faults to match the women.

overs circle the

whole world with their arms.

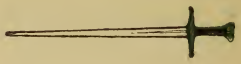
A kiss is remembered,

when kisses are forgotten.

he diplomatic suitor, being asked, adds five to a young girl's age and subtracts ten from an old girl's.

Time and Love being enemies, nothing is more offensive to Eros than a striking clock.

eware of the talkative man! He is capable of fathering discord.



spot can be upon the sun; therefore expect nothing earthly to be flawless.

nfidelities toward God

assure infidelities toward Love.

The dregs in the cup of Love are found only after thirst is appeased.

ove and Life are always challenging each other regarding longevity.

To men, the last love is ever the best love.

f women loved as wisely as men, broken hearts would be unknown.

The quarrels of lovers are but the renewing of love—rs' quarrels.

Silence is the most terrible weapon in Love's armory.

A nice girl with plenty of good red blood in her veins may aspire even to Sir Pedigree.

he woman of sentiment is as lovely as the sentimental woman is odious.

t is no crime to marry

the richest suitor—if you love him.

omen espouse the hatreds, the friendships, and the interests of the men they love.

od is as certainly a part of love as is the Devil of hatred.

ove will sur-

vive all things save—boredom.

very marriageable woman should read about "Becky Sharp," and avoid her methods.

n the garden of Delight, Pleasure is bond-servant to Joy.

When a man wishes to marry, he woos the girl whom women trust.

he telephone! What a weapon it has become in the hands of a jealous woman.

Pretty women have small faith in the constancy of men—toward plain women.

upid keeps one eye upon the approaching woman, even though both arms are around one present.

Fickle men so prize a first kiss, that they never take a second—from the same girl.

he love that lasts is a little long in the making.

A man murmurs "Who came before me?" A woman asks "Who will come after me?"

suspicion of doubt adds zest to courtship, but too much, ends it.

omen are never so content as when their lovers are "miserably" absent.

ime is a great special-

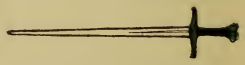
ist, who heals the wounds of love.

It is his love of novelty rather than his wickedness that makes a man stray. Monotony is to blame.

hums are not always lovers, but lovers should always be chums.

The woman we love is a miracle: the woman another loves is only a woman.

Ultra-sensitiveness is a thorn that draws blood from the heart of Love.



s from a pestilence, Love flees from a prude.

Love sharpens woman's wit and blunts man's wisdom.

"Shall I tell you all?" asks the woman. The man nods, and she tells him—half.

oses are alike

the badges of love and truth.

To love and be loved,

is to be assured of entering at least

one of the Seven Heavens.

laying with ice is sometimes as surprising in its consequences as playing with fire.

Never put rein or blinkers upon Love. Remember he is one of the Immortals.

very day is a fête day at the court of

Eros.

Love is an excellent linguist, but a poor logician.

he court jester of Hades is known as "Affinity." ♥

s high as Heaven and as broad as earth may be the barrier, yet it cannot keep out love.

idows are soon re-

wooed because they wear Love's

armor so fascinatingly.

The voice that breathed o'er Eden was surely low and sweet.

emperament masters the mind in an hour. Mind masters the temperament in a life time.

A kiss, to be perfect, should be dreamed.

pretty woman attracts: a tactful woman holds.

Courtships could not go on if the words "never" and "always" were prohibited.

ime, the tragedian, rarely forgets his lines.

irtue is a regular niggard when it comes to rewarding itself.

ven as religion, so has love its martyrs.

efore marriage men halo women; after marriage they hat them.

Sweethearts and wives are oftener hurt by omissions than commissions.

An insanely jealous man is always a passionate egotist.

he lies of Love are pardonable, but the truths of Hatred are not to be endured.

One man to live for me is better than ten who "would die" for me, laughs Miss Sanity.

omen are angry if other women think too little of their lovers, and furious if they think too much.

She who keeps her head, rarely loses her heart.

deserted woman, if clever, wears her humiliation like a crown.

To eliminate the ? as much as possible, is the aim of the woman who loves wisely.

en love in rag-time

until they meet the fateful She. ♥

Even the best of women are not averse to slight manifestations of jealousy.

man who can be wound 'round a woman's finger, never winds himself about her heart.

When love is not an infinite happiness, it is an infinite pain.

n every intense love there is an undertow of hatred.

eware of Fascination, who is a fickle impostor with stolen ammunition.

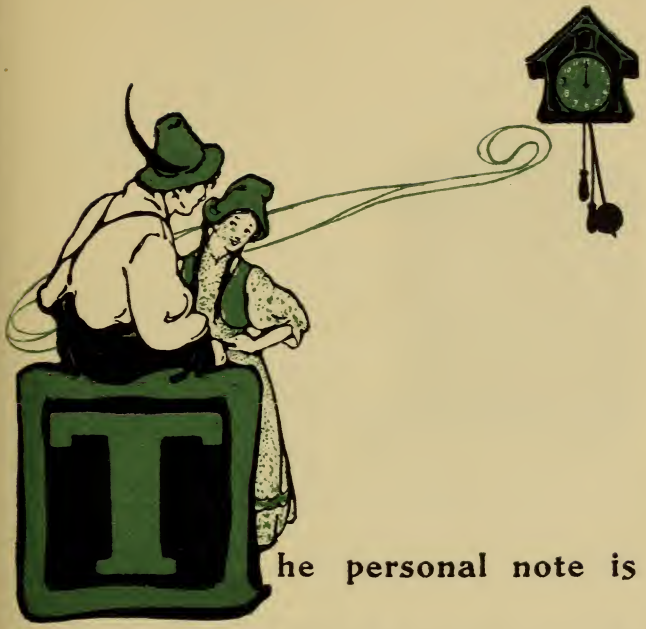
he 'phone cannot kiss,

but it tells more than sweethearts

realize.

Never shower kisses. Like cordials, they are best served sparingly.

eminiscent lovers never see their sweethearts eating apples without recalling Eve's subtlety.



The personal note is always being struck by—lovers. ♡

Hymen's altar-fires are kept brightly burning by "little deeds of kindness."

The clever woman may doubt man's constancy, but he never suspects it.

ove can illumine a dungeon, but it cannot fill an empty stomach.

an's love is all selfishness; whereas woman's love is all—for self.

Sweethearts and wives

err when they try to fight Bacchus.

Outwitting him is more effective.

espect is born of re-

straint. Lovers should not be too

confidential before marriage.

o perjure herself like a gentlewoman, the loyal woman decides when a man's happiness is at stake.

The man who "would die" for a woman, will probably die a hundred deaths.

true lover would rather throw mud into a girl's face than into her mind.

So fond is woman of Doubt, that she splits hairs with Certainty concerning an affaire du coeur.

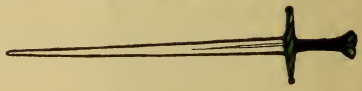
he clever woman wins much admiration, but rarely love.

Inclination pulls a long face and calls itself "Duty" when a flirtation begins to pall.

hen in doubt, be silent. Repression is stronger than confession at the court of Love.

"Forever" generally means a year and a day.

er-fervid love often changes into per-fervid hatred.



Love teaches us the thrilling eloquence of Silence.

omen laugh most

loudly whose hearts are empty.

The wonders of love make the vainest woman humble.

Love that flames and flares often burns out in one night.

The good-byes of Eros

are always intoned.

he lies of Love are always robed in white.

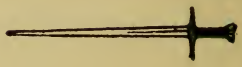
Be punctual. A belated arrival may kill a very promising flower of love.

Instead of dedicating sonnets to her eyebrows, Lord Love sends Lady Love box seats for the play.

The more eligible he is, the more man values feminine aloofness.

hen Love appears,

Envy stalks behind.



Conscience punishes the blackest sins against Love more thoroughly than Wrath could.

mong the banalities of love, bestowing wings upon an every-day mortal is one of the commonest.

Small loves are won by words; great loves by deeds.

ove is subject to many a weakness, but it usually dies of an indigestion.

omen often give gold in exchange for very base metal at the Court of Eros.

he Devil is most fas-

cinating when disguised as Eros.

lways tell the truth, but not always all the truth to all.

igamy is nothing to a woman. She is wedded to her art and a man simultaneously.

Venus had her faults, but Little Lord Love paid for them all.

motional women are always wreathing immortelles for a dying love.

The woman in love who understands herself is a miracle.

Some think themselves imbued with a great love, who are only possessed by a huge egotism.

In the beginning, courtship resembles a duel. The man's weapons are roses and bonbons; the woman's, smiles and coquetry.

ove without passion is like milk punch without brandy.

oman loves or does not love; nothing done can win her. Nothing done, also, can lose her.

Shallow love is largely a matter of vocabulary.

ight-headed wives

often make heavy-hearted husbands.

ove may be blind, but his ears are monstrous keen.

Two approaching frowns make one blow; two smiles make one kiss—sometimes.

cad is usually a "per-

fect lady."

Modern lovers see too much of each other; modern married folks, too little.

Some women gauge Love's strength by his vocabulary rather than his endurance.

It is easier to convince an army than one small self-willed woman.

Chivalry survives. Many husbands assume the fool's rôle in order to spike the guns of Malice.

I Nicotina is a generous rival. She never talks.

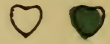
n absorbing love is very well, unless it absorbs honor.

When Love knocks at the door of your heart, make him knock, and knock, and knock.

en are loyal unto death —unless they happen to covet the same woman.

If kept in an overheated atmosphere, Love is liable to a congestive chill. ♡ ♡

ove blesses as many women as passion curses.



To win, is not a guarantee of perpetual ownership in the matter of hearts.

he honor of the husband who is not loved, is nearly always at stake.

When the histories shall all have been written, it will be found that the most victorious warrior of them all was Little Lord Love.

woman will forgive a man any sin save—candor.

When a woman's eyes widen she is watching you; when they narrow, you had better watch her.

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